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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS

SUBJECT: Downgrading of Classification of Two Paragraphs of NSCID No. 7, "Domestic Exploitation".

REFERENCE: A. Memo to Executive Secretary, NSC, from Chief of Naval Operations, dated June 4, 1948, subject: National Security Council Intelligence Directive No. 7, NSCID 7, Domestic Exploitation, 12 Feb 1948.

In accordance with your request in reference A, authority is hereby granted to downgrade paragraphs 3-d and 3-e of NSCID No. 7 from Secret to Confidential.

This authority is granted, after consultation with the Director of Central Intelligence who in turn referred the matter to the members of the Intelligence Advisory Committee, under the following conditions:

- a. Emphasis should be placed upon the contents of paragraph 2-c of NSCID No. 7, and
- b. Paragraphs 3-d and 3-e of NSCID No. 7 should be paraphrased when used in a Confidential rather than Secret category in order to safeguard sources. It is understood that the Chief of Naval Intelligence has no objection to such paraphrasing.

SIDNEY W. SOUERS  
Executive Secretary

Enclosure: Copy No. 107 of  
NSCID No. 7

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